

328 Johnson Street
Mar 13th, 1942
Statesboro, Georgia

Mr. Mike Manley
Mgr Newark Eagles
Newark New Jersey

My dear Mr. Manley;

Sometimes last season I wrote you, or your manager a letter about a job on your ball club, but I received no reply. In 1938 I was manager and second baseman of the Atlanta Black Crackers, the 1938 American League Champions.

We played your team in Macon, Ga, then you let "Mule" Butts and some more of your players go to Selma, Ala to play the Rays - Remember? I saw in the papers last year where you had converted Earl Day into a 2nd baseman, and I thought there was room on your team for a utility infielder.

John Hardin sold Red Moore Chin Evans - Bullet Dixon, Boone - Coal Breeze" Butts to Baltimore in 1939, but I stayed in Atlanta with Nash Williams. "Cum" Posey came through Atlanta last year looking for me, but I was away teaching school.

I have secured contracts from

Jax Red Caps, St Louis Stars, and B'ham Barons,
but I am moving East this year.

I am Jax "Gabby" Kemp, 156 lbs, bats both sides,
throws right, and can play any position, but Catch.
For further information ask some of your players
who know me well, I'm sure most of them do.
I was out East-West in Canada last
season with the Red Caps - Luke Mitchell
was the Manager of the team.

What kind of a proposition can you offer
me? My salary last year was 150.00 with
expenses on the road, and on my expenses
at headquarters, although we do not
play as often as you in the American
League, but I accept your terms
if they were reasonable.

Since being a principal of a 10 teacher
school, a member of the School Board,
I have a Certificate disqualifying me
from military service in the Army.
If you are interested Mr. Manly let
me know at once, since my "time"
is very valuable, and I know
how to arrange my schedule for the
coming season.

Give Mrs. Manly my regards. I'm
expecting you to answer at once, since
spring is now on the top of the hill

Yours for good sportmanship.
(Prof) J. Allan Kemp
328 Johnson St
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PS.

Send me one of your "Clayton Contract" with
same of your salary scales on the reverse side